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By Senators Rasmussen, Holmquist, King, Hobbs, Roach, Shin, Benton, Weinstein, Kastama, Zarelli, Delvin, Pflug, Carrell, and Stevens

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1 AN ACT Relating to the pledge of allegiance; and amending RCW
2 28A.230.140.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28A.230.140 and 1981 c 130 s 1 are each amended to
5 read as follows:

6 (1) The board of directors of every school district shall cause a
7 United States flag being in good condition to be displayed during
8 school hours upon or near every public school plant, except during
9 inclement weather. They shall cause appropriate flag exercises to be
10 held in each classroom at the beginning of the school day, and in every
11 school at the opening of all school assemblies, at which exercises
12 those pupils so desiring shall recite the following salute to the flag:
13 "I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to
14 the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible,
15 with liberty and justice for all". Students not reciting the pledge
16 shall maintain a respectful silence. The salute to the flag or the
17 national anthem shall be rendered immediately preceding interschool
18 events when feasible.

1 (2) Educators are encouraged to annually teach the meaning and
2 history of the pledge of allegiance. The superintendent of public
3 instruction shall adopt rules to provide guidance for complying with
4 this subsection.

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